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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Lars Hojlund Christensen and Torben Kjaersgaard Nielsen

Serial No.: 10/671,064

Group Art Unit: 1723

Filed: September 25, 2003

Examiner: Fortuna, Ana M

For: Purification Process Comprising Microfiltration At Elevated Temperatures

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2005 be extended for a period of 3 months from December 14, 2005 to March 14, 2006. Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for such extension of time.

Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$1020, with this application and to credit any overpayments to Novo Nordisk Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. Please charge any additional fees, should they be required, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 14, 2006

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